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Sir:

Applicant hereby requests an additional one-month Extension of Time to respond to the Office Action with a mailing date of December 17, 2003, up to and including April 19, 2004 (the first business day after Saturday, April 17, 2004). A check in the amount of \$55.00 for the requisite fee at the small entity rate is enclosed.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include payment of issue fees.

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